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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated January 5, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response of 3 months (response due April 5, 2006). As this Response is being filed under a Certificate of Mailing dated April 28, 2006, along with a petition for a one-month extension and the required fees, Applicants believe no additional fees appear due. However, if any additional fees are required regarding the filing of this Response, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 13-0265.

Please reconsider the standing rejections for claims 1-17 in light of the following amendments and comments.